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CONSOLIDATION OF THE REGIME ESTABLISHED BY THE TREATY FOR THE PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (TREATY OF TLATELOLCO)

FINAL TEXT OF A TREATY ON AN AFRICAN NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONE

Angola, Argentina, Benin, Brazil, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Gambia, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, Mexico, Namibia, Nigeria, Paraguay, Senegal, South Africa, Togo and Uruguay: draft resolution

Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the South Atlantic

The General Assembly,

Bearing in mind the Declaration on the Denuclearization of the South Atlantic, adopted in 22 September 1994, at Brasilia, by the Third Meeting of Member States of the Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic,

Determined to continue to contribute to the process of general and complete disarmament, under effective international control, in particular in the field of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction, with a view to strengthening international peace and security,

Stressing the growing importance of the symbiotic relationship between disarmament and development in current international relations, and recognizing the importance of promoting social and economic development and international cooperation on the peaceful uses of nuclear energy,

Recalling further the principles and norms of international law applicable to maritime space, in particular the use of the high seas for peaceful purposes and the freedom of navigation and overflight,

Cognizant of the support received for the full entry into force of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) 1/ and for the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Africa,

1. Welcomes the commitment made by the States of the Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons, in accordance with internationally recognized legal instruments;

2. Welcomes also the recent progress towards the full entry into force of the Treaty of Tlatelolco for all States of Latin America and the Caribbean, which will permit the consolidation in the near future of the status of the whole region as a nuclear-weapon-free zone;

3. Welcomes further the efforts made towards the implementation of the Declaration on the Denuclearization of Africa 2/ leading to the conclusion of a treaty establishing a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Africa;

4. Solemnly endorses the objective of the States of the Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic to turn the region of the South Atlantic into a nuclear-weapon-free zone;

5. Calls upon all States to cooperate fully for the achievement of the objective of turning the region of the South Atlantic into a nuclear-weapon-free zone.

1/ United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 634, No. 9068.

2/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Twentieth Session, Annexes, agenda item 105, document A/5975.